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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

**Department of
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Robert G. Atkins
Chief Deputy

June 21, 2005

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER/WEIGHTS AND MEASURES
APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT
(3-VOTES)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Approve the attached appropriation adjustment (Attachment I), which will increase the Department of Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures' (ACWM) Fixed Assets by \$200,000 and the Service and Supplies by \$200,000 and decrease Salaries and Employee Benefits by \$400,000.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approval of the recommended action will enable ACWM to effectively utilize revenue received in the current fiscal year for one-time strategic equipment and Services and Supplies expenditures.

ACWM has generated a significant salary and employee benefit savings primarily as a result of vacancies, retirements, and lower anticipated costs in workers compensation. ACWM has experienced the attrition/retirement of several higher level Inspector positions. ACWM has also experienced difficulty in hiring new Inspectors due to the State's fiscal uncertainty and delay in signing new contracts with ACWM.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The Board's action would result in an increase to ACWM's Service and Supplies and Fixed Assets and a corresponding decrease to Salaries and Employee Benefits. There is no effect to net County cost.

IMPACT OF CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The recommended action would allow the funding of one-time purchases which will improve strategic Departmental operations. We propose to utilize these funds to purchase laboratory equipment, vehicles and information technology enhancements.

CONCLUSION

Approval of the recommended action would allow ACWM to take advantage of unanticipated salary savings by applying it to one-time expenditures in the current fiscal year. It would also benefit ACWM's operation by replacing antiquated equipment in the entomology/plant pathology laboratory and improving ACWM's information technology systems.

When approved, this Department requires two (2) signed copies of the Board's action.

Respectfully submitted,

KURT E. FLOREN
Agricultural Commissioner/
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Attachments (1)

c: Chief Administrative Officer
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Auditor-Controller
County Counsel

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTDEPT'S.
NO. 10-3

DEPARTMENT OF Agricultural Comm./Weights & Measures

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AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. WILL YOU PLEASE REPORT AS TO ACCOUNTING AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION.

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

FY2004/2005

ACTION 3-VOTE

Financial Sources:

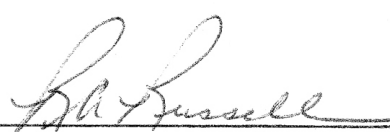
Ag. Comm./Weights & Measures
Salaries & E.B.
A01-AW-18730-1000
\$400,000

Financial Uses:

Ag. Comm./Weights & Measures
Fixed Assets - Equipment
A01-AW-18730-6030
\$200,000
Service & Supplies
A01-AW-18730-2000
\$200,000

Justification:

This adjustment is required to purchase various equipment, vehicles and information technology costs not included in the Department's adopted budget.


 Chief, Administrative Services

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR—

ACTION

RECOMMENDATION

APPROVED AS REQUESTED

AS REVISED

APPROVED (AS REVISED):
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

BY

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DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK